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Sir:

In reply to the Interview Summary of December 8, 2004, this paper gives the attorney for the Applicant's Summary of the discussion with the Examiner on December 6, 2004. Claim 48 presented in the RCE filed on October 18, 2004 and the prior art to Rivera was discussed. Claim 48 teaches a three-tier licensing system that comprises a master node tier, a remote mode tier and a user tier. Rivera teaches only two tiers in the licensing system, the client tier and the server tier. It was agreed that further searches and consideration are needed to determine the allowability of the claims.

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